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Quick Reference Manual

Unlocked[1]

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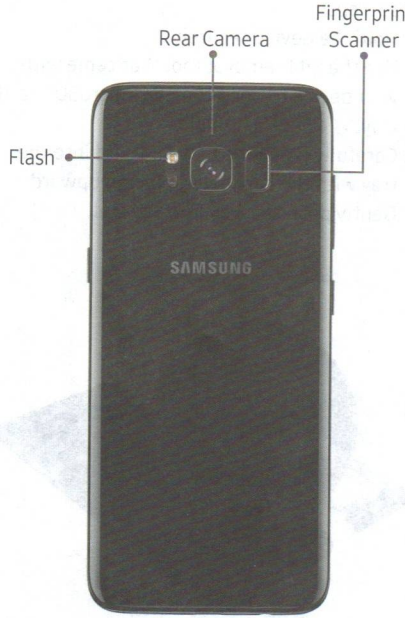
Device Functions

Front View

Back View



Device Setup

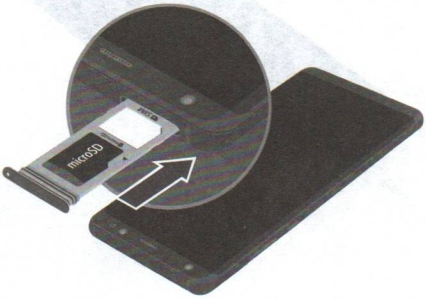
Install the SIM Card

If you need to replace your SIM card, follow these steps:

1. Hold the device securely.
2. Use the SIM removal tool that came with your device to open the SIM/microSD™ card tray.
3. Carefully place the new SIM card into the tray with the carrier logo facing upward.
4. Gently push the tray into the slot.

Optional: Insert Memory Card

1. Hold the device securely.
2. Use the SIM removal tool that came with your device to open the SIM/microSD card tray.
3. Carefully place the memory card into the tray with the gold contacts facing downward.
4. Gently push the tray into the slot.



Note: Supports microSD™/SDHC™/SDXC™ memory cards (sold separately).

Charge the Device

Before turning on your phone, charge it fully.

Your phone comes with an Adaptive Fast Charging charger and a USB cable. Plug the smaller end of the cable into the USB/charger port on your phone and the larger end into the charging head. Then plug the charger into an electrical outlet to charge the phone.

Caution: Use only charging devices and batteries that are approved by Samsung. Samsung accessories are designed for your device to maximize battery life. Using other accessories may void your warranty and may cause damage.

Turn the Device On and Off

- To turn On, press and hold the **Power/Lock** key.
- To turn Off, press and hold **Power/Lock** key and follow the prompts.

Lock and Unlock the Screen

Use your device's screen lock features to secure your device.

- To Lock, press the **Power/Lock** key.
- To Unlock, press the **Power/Lock** key, and then swipe your finger across the screen.

Configure Your Device

When you first turn on your device, you need to set up a few things.

1. Select a language and tap **START** or tap **ACCESSIBILITY**.
2. Follow the prompts to complete the setup process.

Home Screen

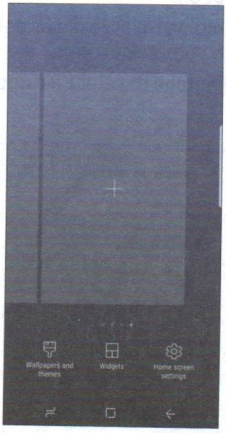
The Home screen is the starting point for using your device.

- Swipe up to open the Apps panel.
- Swipe the Home screen left or right for additional panels.
- Swipe the Edge handle to access Edge panels.

Customize Home Screen

Wallpaper and Widgets

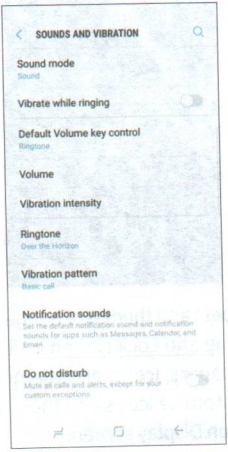
- Touch and hold a blank space on a home screen to access options.



- **Wallpapers and themes**: Change the look of the Home and Lock screens with a variety of wallpapers, icons, and themes. You can also customize Icons and the **Always on Display** screen.
- **Widgets**: Widgets are self-contained apps that run on a Home screen. Drag a widget to an empty space on the Home screen for quick access to applications.
- **Home screen settings**: Customize the look of the Home screen.

Volume and Ringtones

- From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Settings** → **Sounds and vibration**.
  - Tap **Volume** to increase or decrease device volume settings.
  - Tap **Ringtone** to select a ringtone.

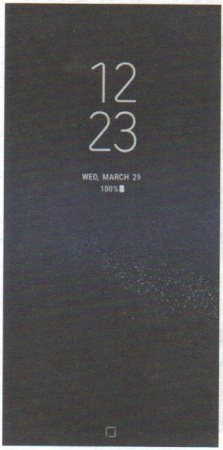


Always On

With Always On, time, date, and notifications are always displayed in standby mode, without unlocking your device.

Enable Always On

- From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Settings** → **Lock screen and security** → **Always On Display**.



Edge Screen

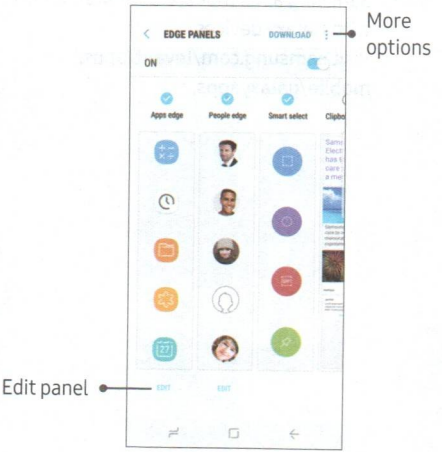
The Edge screen provides a shortcut to call, text or email favorite contacts and much more.

Using the Edge Screen

1. From the Home screen, swipe the Edge panel handle to display the Edge panels.
2. Swipe left or right to view Edge screens.

Customize Edge Panels

- From an Edge panel tap ⚙.



Apps

Find new apps to download and install on your device.

Play Store: Download new apps from the Google Play store.
Visit **play.google.com/store/apps** to learn more.

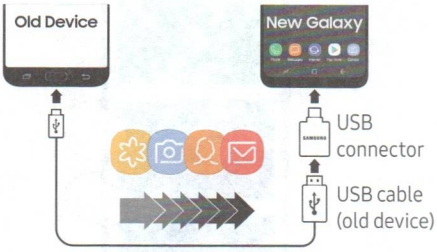
Galaxy Apps: view and download Samsung apps that are optimized for use with Galaxy devices.
Visit **samsung.com/levant/apps/mobile/galaxyapps**.

Samsung Smart Switch

Easily transfer your photos, videos, music, apps and more with Samsung Smart Switch™.

Use the USB connector (that came with your new device) to transfer content.

Select Smart Switch during setup, or open it later from the Home screen by swiping up for **Apps**, and tapping **Settings** → **Cloud and accounts** → **Smart Switch**.

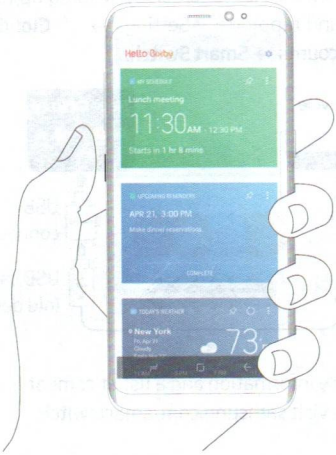


For more information and a list of compatible devices visit **samsung.com/smartswitch**.

Hello Bixby

To launch **Hello Bixby**, press the **Bixby** key.

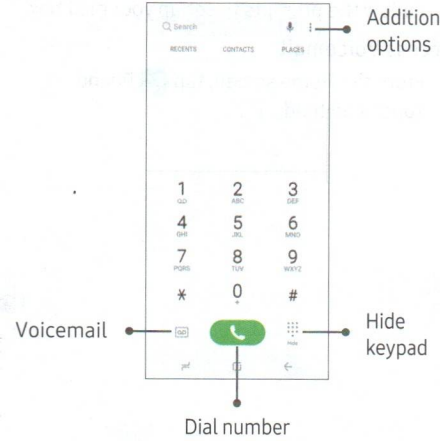
Hello Bixby allows you to quickly set reminders, create voice dictation, search and access content on your phone and on the Internet.



Calls

Make a Call

- From the Home screen, tap **Phone**.



Answer a Call

- From the incoming call screen, touch and slide **Answer** in any direction.

End a Call

- From the call screen, tap **End call**.

Reject a Call

- From the incoming call screen, touch and slide **Reject** in any direction to route the call to your voicemail system.

Voicemail

Set Up Voicemail

1. From the Home screen, tap Phone.
2. Touch and hold 1.
3. Follow the prompts to set up your mail box.

Access Voicemail

1. From the Home screen, tap Phone.
2. Touch and hold 1.

Contacts

Create a New Contact

1. From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Contacts**.
2. Tap **Add New Contacts**.
3. Enter the desired information.
4. Tap **SAVE** to store the new entry.

Add a Number to a Contact

1. From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Contacts**.
2. Tap a contact name from the list and tap **Details** → **EDIT**.
3. Tap within the phone number area and enter a new phone number.
4. Tap **SAVE** to complete and store the new entry.

Delete a Contact

1. From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Contacts**.
2. Touch and hold a contact name from the list and tap **DELETE**.

Messages

Create and Send a Message

Create and send a message using the Messages app.

1. From the Home screen, tap **Messages**.
2. Tap to add a recipient.
3. Enter either the recipient's phone number or email address.
4. Tap COMPOSE to compose a message.
5. Tap the **Enter message** field and use the keypad to enter a message.
   - Tap **Attach** and select a file type.
   - Tap **Emoticons** to choose an emoticon.
6. Review the message and tap SEND.

Gmail

Use Gmail™ to send and receive email.

Before you can access Gmail, you must first sign in or create a new Google account.

- From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Google** folder → **Gmail**.
  - Tap **Add an email address** to create a new account or to log into an existing Gmail account.
  - Tap **TAKE ME TO GMAIL** if you have an account set up on your device.

Set Up Email Accounts

Configure Email for most accounts in just a few steps.

1. From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Email**.
2. Enter your email address and password into the appropriate fields and tap **SIGN IN**.
3. Follow the prompts to complete setup.
4. Tap **DONE** to store the new account.

Camera

Take pictures and record videos with the Camera app.

Take a Photo

- From the Home screen, tap **Camera**.
  - Tap to take a photo.
  - Drag left or right to zoom in or out.
  - Tap or swipe up to take selfies.
  - Swipe right to select a mode.
  - Swipe left to select an effect.

Take a Video

- From the Home screen, tap **Camera**.
  - Tap to begin recording.
  - Tap to capture a picture while recording.
  - Tap to pause a recording.
  - Tap to finish recording a video.

Internet

Access the Internet with a fully-featured web browser. You can view the latest news, check the weather, and follow your stocks.

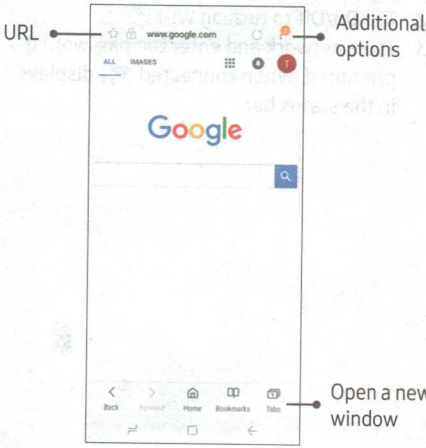
- From the Home screen, tap **Internet**.

Enter a URL

- From any webpage, tap the address field, enter the web address, and then tap **Go** on the keyboard.

Add a new tab

1. From your browser window, tap **Tabs** → **NEW TAB**. A new browser window displays.
2. Tap **Tabs** to see the open windows, and tap a window to view it.



Connections

Connect to Bluetooth

1. From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Settings** → **Connections** → **Bluetooth**.
2. Tap **On/Off** to turn on Bluetooth®.
3. Tap a device from the list to initiate pairing.
4. Enter the passkey/PIN code, if required, and tap **OK**. When connected displays in the status bar.

Connect to Wi-Fi

1. From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Settings** → **Connections** → **Wi-Fi.**
2. Tap **On/Off** to turn on Wi-Fi®.
3. Tap a network and enter the password if prompted. When connected displays in the status bar.

Security

Screen Lock

The Screen lock menu allows you to choose from a variety of locking features.

- From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Settings** → **Lock screen and security** → **Screen lock type**.

Face

1. From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Settings** → **Lock screen and security** → **Face Recognition**.
2. Tap **CONTINUE** to begin face registration and follow the prompts.
3. Follow the prompts to create a Pattern, PIN, or Password as a backup.

Fingerprint Scanner

1. From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Settings** → **Lock screen and security** → **Fingerprint Scanner**.
2. Tap **CONTINUE** to begin fingerprint registration and follow the prompts.
3. Follow the prompts to create a Pattern, PIN, or Password as a backup.

Iris Scanner*

Use your eyes to unlock your device.

1. From the Home screen, swipe up for **Apps** and then tap **Settings** → **Lock screen and security** → **Iris Scanner**.
2. Tap **CONTINUE** to begin iris registration and follow the prompts.
3. Follow the prompts to create a Pattern, PIN, or Password as a backup.

Note: *The Iris Scanner is not intended to be used as a medical device and the biometric data collected and stored locally by the mechanism is not intended to be used for any diagnostic, therapeutic, or preventative purposes. Please follow all instructions for use of this feature. For more information, refer to the online support content or visit: **samsung.com/us/irisscanner**.